

STUDENT HANDBOOK

EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL
EAST LONGMEADOW, MASSACHUSETTS

Revised 2015

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| Principal's Office | 525-5460 | Press 0 |
| To report an absentee | 525-5460 | Press 1 |
| Health Room | 525-5460 | Press 2 |
| Guidance Office | 525-5460 | Press 3 |
| Athletic Director's Office | 525-5460 | Press 4 |
| Career Center | 525-5460 | Press 5 |
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| Superintendent's Office | 525-5450 | Press 0 |
| Cafeteria | 525-5450 | Press 2 |
| Special Education Office | 525-5450 | Press 3 |
| Transportation | 525-5450 | Press 5 |

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Student Handbook of Rules and Regulations represents the combined efforts of parents, students, faculty members, and community representatives, as well as the administration. A committee met to review and revise the discipline code that is contained within these pages. The Handbook Review Committee members were as follows:

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| Students: | Ms. Maria Boucher Ms. Jessica Wang Mr. Jonathan Torcia |

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

September 2015

TO THE EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY:

East Longmeadow High School continues to work toward preparing our students to be productive, well educated and responsible citizens. We believe that in order to accomplish this goal, our staff and students should model and practice the principles of self discipline, respect, courtesy and positive collaboration.

This handbook serves as a guide to producing a learning environment where all members of our community feel safe, supported, appropriately challenged, respected and valued. It is the expectation that all students and their families read this document carefully so that it can serve as a resource.

Along with the rules and regulations, the student handbook also highlights academic, social and civic expectations of ELHS. Our mission statement proclaims that, "as a community of learners, we will engage in critical thinking, learn collaboratively, honor diversity, and strive for success." This handbook outlines our expectations and method of assessment for growth and development of these skills and attributes.

The handbook was prepared jointly by members of the student body, faculty, administration and parents and was approved by the East Longmeadow School Committee. As we work towards helping our students reach their fullest potential, the staff of East Longmeadow High School hopes that our community will have a positive and productive high school experience.

Sincerely,

Gina Flanagan
Principal

2015-2016 SCHOOL EVENTS

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| <u>August</u> | Freshmen Orientation Fall sports begin Class assemblies |
| <u>September:</u> | Senior Class picnic Presentation of theme Club Fair Freshmen Class Elections Open House Senior Class College Planning Night |
| <u>October:</u> | Homecoming Weekend Winter Sports Night Sophomore Class College Planning Night Spirit Week |
| <u>November:</u> | Fundraisers Ziti Dinner |
| <u>December:</u> | National Honor Society Induction Winter Concert Holiday Fundraisers Junior Semi Formal |
| <u>January:</u> | Senior Semi-formal Drama Production Financial Aid Night |
| <u>February:</u> | Open House Black History Grade 8 Night Chamber Music and Jazz Recital |
| <u>March:</u> | Spartanum COPE Classic Volleyball All Bands Concert All Choral Concert Spring sports begin Junior Class College Planning Night |

April:

Alcohol Awareness Week
Senior Banquet
Chamber Music Recital

May:

Student Achievement Night
Staff Appreciation Week
Spring Concert
Senior Prom
Drama Production

June:

Class assemblies
Graduation
Fall Sports Night
Class Elections

*All activities are subject to change.

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***Specific information about discipline procedures and school regulations can be found in the East Longmeadow Public School Code of Conduct.**

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community, we will **ENGAGE** in critical thinking, **LEARN** collaboratively, **HONOR** diversity, and **STRIVE** for success.

EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

Students will....

LEARNING EXPECTATION #1: Develop effective independent & collaborative work habits & practices.

- Communication skills in collaborative work
- Participation as a member of a team
- Self management
- Self advocacy
- Use of technology

LEARNING EXPECTATION #2: Develop effective critical thinking & creativity skills.

- Analysis of information
- Application and synthesis of information
- Evaluation of information, thoughts & ideas
- Creation of new thoughts & ideas

LEARNING EXPECTATION #3: Demonstrate effective literacy and communication skills.

- Writing: Topic development & process
- Writing: English conventions
- Reading: Comprehension
- Reading: Utilizing tools & strategies to increase comprehension
- Digital Literacy

LEARNING EXPECTATION #4: Demonstrate an understanding of social and civic responsibilities.

- Local & global community service
- Responsibility for one's own behavior
- Social skills
- Civic responsibility

In order to ensure that we are consistently developing and reinforcing these expectations, a school wide rubric has been created to provide clear and detailed information regarding these expectations. Our students will receive regular feedback on their progress with the expectations.